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## THE JOHN HAY LIBRARY

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HUBBARD HALL, BOWDOIN COLLEGE  
A \$300,000 Library

**T**HE library is the university's great heart, pulsing currents of knowledge and literature through all its arteries to build up and refresh the mental forces. It is a great storehouse, where the best of all that has been thought or done is arrayed in printed form fresh to the hand of ardent youth. Its quiet halls, corridors and alcoves invite the student to rest from his sports and labors, and to find quiet and recre-

ation, to increase his love of good books, to make their contents part of his personal equipment, to calm the heat of passion and the fire of ambition by contemplating the wisdom and beauty which unnumbered generations have wrought for him and by considering how small an addition to these he is liable to make even at his best.

The importance of the college library is always expanding, and more and more it is becoming the haunt of the

student and the mental workshop of those who seek a wider culture and a mind attuned to the harmony of the advancing age. The time is at hand when earnest seekers after the truth will no longer be content to take down and learn by heart the more or less biased, fragmentary and perfunctory lectures of an instructor, but will demand ready access to the sources of his information and will themselves hasten to take deep draughts from the Pierian spring of the university. As the central dominating influence, the location, capacity and adaptability of the library are matters of profound interest, and to a large extent determine the institution's educational standing and its power to draw to it a desirable student body.

The two vital components of a real university are a faculty famous for great learning and expert teaching, and a library of widest scope and wisely selected contents. With these it would still be famous and sought were all the other equipment and buildings swept away. Without these, it is poor indeed.

The building of a new library at Brown has long been an anxiously anticipated event. The present attractive semi-Byzantine library built by a philanthropic merchant of Providence, the late John Carter Brown, is outgrown and totally inefficient to meet the existing demands, to say nothing of the future, and while the corporation were studying how to replace it, their whole plan has widened out to great possibilities by an unexpected event. The munificent gift of Andrew Carnegie toward building a John Hay Library at Brown has entirely changed the outlook and the scope of the undertaking. It is not to be a small and local affair, but a national memorial to the greatest statesman of this generation. To this testimonial not only will all the graduates of Brown gladly subscribe, but very many others throughout the land, if properly approached, will join them with their means to place at Brown a memorial building commensurate to the attainments of the man and the results of his statemanship. It would be strange, indeed, if there were not thousands who do not know Brown, but who, impelled by love and admiration of the world's benefactor, would deem it a privilege to

pay tribute to the memory of John Hay, the friend, co-worker and biographer of Lincoln, the scholar whose songs may outlive the memory of his political work, the diplomat who swept from diplomacy the cobwebs of deceit and chicanery, and founded an "American diplomacy" based on truth and fair dealing, bringing equity and peace to the nations. The building named for such a man should be built wisely and well, broadly and deep. In the contemplation of such an edifice three essentials enter into the effectiveness of the memorial, the location, the cost and the extent of the facilities which the building shall afford.

The location should be one dominating the other university buildings, one accessible to the students and to the community below the hill, one that lends itself to architectural effect and allows ample room for growth. Such a location is on Prospect street, extending from College to Waterman. With its facade facing the beautiful front campus, it will place the other buildings in proper relationship.

The green expanse where John Hay so often strolled will catch the wandering sunlight and smile up at his great memorial; the graceful elms under which he rested in the summer days will bend their waving twigs to the urgent breeze to hum the songs he used to sing; the building which sheltered him during his four joyous student years will look across to the monumental pile which bears his name and holds his fame secure.

The west side of the building, looking out over the city, with its lofty, unobstructed view, will give an imposing effect to this fitting crown for College Hill. The hillside site offers splendid opportunities for architectural effect and allows the book-stack in the rear to run both up and down from the main floor, making the books doubly accessible. The opportunity to extend the stack would be practically unlimited without destroying the proportions of the main building. Presumably adjacent owners would not stand in the way of the great work, but loyally yield to a great need.

The cost of the building would not be less than \$500,000 and an endowment of about double that amount should be added. No estimate of less amount



should be considered in this plan. The Columbia library cost \$1,200,000, that of the University of New York, \$1,000,000, the University of California, \$800,000, Princeton, \$750,000, Cornell, \$360,000, and Bowdoin, \$300,000. The Providence Public Library cost \$460,000; \$88,000 for land and \$372,000 for the building and is about one-half the size that Brown needs and the occasion demands. The building of the Providence Public Library is a useful object

so early cut short, and he gave \$268,000 towards the completion of the committee's design and lo, we have our remarkably beautiful and complete public library, famous throughout the country and erected at no public cost to the community whose interest it serves.

In regard to the capacity of the John Hay Library the future should be discounted for at least two generations. The history of college libraries is one of short-sighted insufficiency; the outgrow-



COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY LIBRARY  
Erected at a Cost of \$1,200,000

lesson. At a time when it was in financial straits, its munificent benefactor, Henry L. Kendall, left it a legacy which has brought in over \$300,000. With this, the land was bought for \$88,000, but there was not sufficient to build the structure which was in the minds of the librarian Mr. Foster and the committee. They planned large for the future and started to build a stack for the books with a small temporary building in front and await greater things. The situation appealed to that great hearted young man, the late John Nicholas Brown, whose life of philanthropy was

ing and the rebuilding is a long serial story of such structures. From reliable information, some estimate of the requirements can be given. There should be a stack with capacity for at least 400,000 volumes; a reading room for 300 to 400 students; some 20 or more seminary rooms with their special books lining the walls; perhaps six rooms for special libraries, and twelve rooms for study, reference and administration. There might also be a hall included in the building, dedicated to free speech, free thought and free information, called perhaps after the founder of the state,

where public-spirited associations could have lectures on education, literature, philanthropy and social progress, free and without price.

The growth of a modern up-to-date library is very rapid. The accession of books by gift and purchase demands commodious shelf room as the increase multiplies. The growth of Harvard's library illustrates this point; from 1880 to 1900 the number of books rose from 184,000 to 374,000. An estimate was made of the addition expected in the five lustra from 1900-1925 viz:—65,000, 72,000, 80,000, 90,000 and 100,000. The actual increase for the first lustrum was 83,000 volumes or 18,000 more than the estimate. The Brown library now contains about 150,000 volumes and will surely more than double in the next twenty-five years even on the present basis, but there is a large unsatisfied book hunger. Some of the departments like history have a fairly adequate fund, but all of the departments should be brought up to the proper standard of book purchases to make a complete and well balanced library. A more extensive use of the books is made today, as the facilities for the individual have been extended. A generation ago a few fleet-footed grinds made a bee line for the library and captured every book

mentioned in the class room, the rest of the class found the cupboard was bare, lost their interest and had little use for the library; today such reference books are always in the library, to be read or consulted by all.

The completion of an extensive and complete college library calls at once for an endowment to be used for its maintenance and book supply; extraordinary facilities mean extraordinary expenses, a higher grade of library assistance, expert cataloguers and every device to increase the library's usefulness. An income of from \$35,000 to \$40,000 will be necessary for the new library and let the proclamation go forth that we propose to raise \$1,500,000 to build, equip and endow the John Hay Library at Brown University, as a worthy remembrance of one of Brown's greatest sons.

What more fitting monument to the scholar, poet and diplomat than a library, beautiful and capacious and filled with transcripts of the world's choicest thoughts! What more fitting place for such a memorial than the high site opposite the front campus looking in classic grandeur upon the assembled buildings of Brown University, where John Hay fostered his love for learning and from which he went forth equipped for his noble career!

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## MIDWINTER DINNER IN PROVIDENCE

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ONE of the most enjoyable Brown dinners ever held in this city took place at the Trocadero on Mathewson street, Monday evening, February 19. It was the third midwinter dinner of "graduates and friends" of Brown, and the large hall was well filled with the tables set for the 277 diners. Fay's orchestra was stationed in the balcony and led the singing, which was of unusual warmth and spirit.

Justice George T. Brown, '73, of the Rhode Island superior court, presided and with him at the head table were the speakers of the evening and a few other guests. The first speaker was Hon.

James B. Angell, '49, president of the University of Michigan, who delivered a delightful address full of college memories. He gave a character sketch and estimate of each of the seven members of the faculty of his time—Boyce, Lincoln, Jewett, Greene, Gammell, Goddard and Chace. The college, he said, consisted of only 140 students and their interests were largely intellectual. They went little into society and their athletic sports were far less strenuous than those of the present day. "We got red in the face," said Dr. Angell, "discussing deep literary and intellectual questions." The college was divided into two great camps of Carlylists and anti-Carlylists,

and there was another division into Coleridgians and anti-Coleridgians. Of Dr. Wayland, President Angell spoke with much feeling. He was not, said Dr. Angell, devoid of humor, as has sometimes been thought. On the contrary, he had a deep appreciation of fun. In this connection a story was told of an encounter between President Wayland and his son, Heman Lincoln Wayland, in the ethics class. Lincoln Wayland, Dr. Angell said, was a great, lank fellow more than six feet in height and when he arose to speak he seemed to unwind himself. I remember one occasion when he raised his hand and informed his father, who was hearing the class, that he would like to ask a question.

"What is it, my son?" responded Dr. Wayland. (He called us all "my son" for that matter.)

"I observe," said Lincoln Wayland, "that the learned author remarks so and so in the volume under discussion. (The learned author was Dr. Wayland.) Now in a certain other work on moral responsibility by the same learned author, I observe that he says exactly the opposite. How are we to reconcile these two conflicting statements?"

Naturally the class was on edge, wondering how the senior Wayland would extricate himself. But he only said, after laughing a little in common with the class, "This merely shows, my son, that a wise man is capable of learning something as he grows older."

#### OTHER SPEAKERS

The second speaker of the evening was Flavel Sweeten Luther, LL. D., president of Trinity College. Dr. Luther said that his ancestors on his father's side lived in Rhode Island and that he came near to going to Brown instead of Trinity. Like Dr. Angell, he had climbed as a small boy to the top of one of the columns in the church galleries at Providence, and watched with interest the commencement exercises. Dr. Luther's speech was on the theme: "Shall the New England College Abandon Its Ancient Traditions?" He was of the opinion that it should abandon the unworthy ones and hold to the good ones. In a word, traditions ought not to be followed merely because they are traditions.

Professor John Howard Appleton '63, of Brown, talked in a graceful way about "The Happy Lot of a Brown Professor." He said that one of the advantages of the professor's lot is that it brings him into habitual contact with a group of high-minded and clear-minded gentlemen.

Rev. George Hooper Ferris, '91, of Philadelphia, made a characteristic address, consisting of a string of facetious stories and a classico-literary peroration. His subject was "What a Minister Does Not Believe."

Henry Robinson Palmer, '90, editor of the BROWN ALUMNI MONTHLY, read a poem, which is printed elsewhere in this number of the magazine.

President Faunce was the last speaker of the evening. He made a ringing, eloquent speech on "Practical Loyalty to Brown."

Those present at the midwinter dinner were: J. M. Addeman '62, A. M. Allen '97, Pres. James B. Angell '49, of University of Michigan, Prof. J. H. Appleton '63, E. Appleton '04, Mr. Wm. Armour, Mr. James Carmell, Mr. W. E. Aldred, Mr. A. L. Aldred, Mr. B. F. Arnold, M. H. Arnold '97, Mr. R. L. Walker, Dr. O. H. Arnold '65, Mr. W. H. Arnold, Mr. Albert Babcock, N. T. Bacon, Yale '79, A. A. Baker '84, Dr. A. A. Barrows '98, E. A. Barrows '91, J. P. Barstow '02, H. L. Bates '03, Dr. Carl Barus, Dr. W. L. Bates, W. P. Bates '02, Prof. G. W. Benedict, E. R. Blanchard '65, R. W. Blanding '03, Col. Z. W. Bliss, Dr. G. A. Blumer, F. B. Bowen '73, C. S. Bridgham '99, Dr. Wm. H. Peters, H. D. Briggs '02, J. A. Brooks '04, C. W. Brown '00, Hon. G. T. Brown '73, W. J. Brown '93, Col. R. P. Brown '71, Z. Brown '65, Wm. P. Buffum '79, Mr. Sam Bullock, G. Bullock '05, R. W. Burbank '78, Rev. E. F. Sanderson, Amherst '96, Mr. J. C. Butterworth, Jr., Mr. R. D. Cady, Dr. A. W. Calder '91, Mr. G. G. Cameron, Rev. A. E. Carpenter '79, C. S. Carpenter '03, A. G. Chaffee '02, Z. Chaffee '80, Wm. R. Champlin '01, Dr. C. V. Chapin '76, Mr. W. P. Chapin, Dr. W. L. Chapman, Mr. A. W. Claflin, F. O. Clapp '59, Mr. Otis Clapp, Prof. Benj. F. Clarke '63, and guest, O.



Clarke '80, Mr. S. Clarke, T. Clarke '95, Mr. J. C. Collins Sr., J. C. Collins '92, Mr. James Harris, B. Comstock '76, Mr. John E. Canning, Mr. G. L. Cooke, Prof. A. C. Crowell '86, Dr. W. B. Cutts, Prof. Thomas Crosby '94, Prof. N. F. Davis '70, Dr. F. L. Day '85, Rev. H. P. Ross, Mr. M. J. Dooley, Mr. Charles Alexander, Hon. William W. Douglas '61, Prof. J. Q. Dealey '90, Rev. C. A. Denfeld '89, C. E. Dennis, Jr. '88, Mr. E. J. Doe, C. T. Dorrance '67, Col. F. T. Easton '92, Mr. S. A. Shehadi, Mr. W. U. Eddy, Seeber Edwards '91, S. O. Edwards '79, Mr. F. H. Elmore, William Ely '78, S. A. Everett '91, C. F. Easton '65, C. R. Easton '96, M. S. Fanning '91, Pres. W. H. P. Faunce '80, J. H. Farrell '98, Rev. G. H. Ferris '91, H. W. Field '94, Prof. H. T. Fowler, R. C. Fuller '79, Dr. F. T. Fulton, Rev. D. W. Faunce, Prof. A. G. Fisher '70, Prof. W. H. Small, Wm. Gammell '78, J. A. Gammons '98, Mr. A. W. Wakefield, Mr. C. C. Gardiner, P. W. Gardner '03, Rathbone Gardner '77, Hon. L. F. C. Garvin (Amherst), Dr. S. K. Gifford, G. P. Grant, Jr. '89, H. T. Grant '69, M. B. Gray '97, A. A. Greene '80, Mr. G. H. Holmes, Mr. C. F. Mitchell, Dr. H. R. Greene '97, Prof. J. F. Greene '91, T. F. Green '87, Mr. H. W. Greenough (Amherst), E. T. Gross '01, H. L. Grant '90, T. J. Griffin, Jr. '99, Mr. Wm. C. Greene, S. A. Gibson '96, Col. H. J. Gross, C. H. Guild '99, F. T. Guild '90, Mr. Clarence H. Guild, C. C. Greene '05, Mr. W. P. Gannett and guest, E. B. Hamilton '72, Mr. G. A. Harrington, Dr. N. D. Harvey, H. W. Hayes '78, F. L. Hinckley '91, Rev. J. M. Hobbs '83, Mr. G. A. Holbrook, Mr. A. Hollingsworth, E. L. Hosmer '82, H. J. Hoyer, M. D. '95, Mr. Charles Hoyer, Dr. W. F. Gleason, I. O. Hunt '99, H. S. Inman '60, Mr. H. Inman, Mr. J. O. Yatman, B. A. Jackson '05, Prof. W. B. Jacobs '82, Hon. F. H. Jackson, P. S. Jastram '60, G. A. Jepherson '81, J. D. E. Jones '93, H. V. A. Joslin '67, T. A. Jenckes '77, J. E. Leach '74, Prof. W. H. Kenerston '96, Mr. W. G. Brown, R. D. Kettner '05, Mr. G. N. Kingsbury, Dr. H. W. Kimball, Hon. O. Lapham '64, Mr. H. E. Fillebrown, E. B. Lederer '01, W. K. Low '01, Pres. Flaven S. Luther of

Trinity, Mr. R. E. Lyman, Prof. Courtney Langdon, Dr. A. M. MacWhinnie, J. L. Hood '00, Mr. H. E. Maine, Mr. Rooke, Prof. J. I. Manatt, Mr. Bacon of Boston, Mr. F. S. Mason, Dr. Wm. McDonald '95, Dr. W. H. Magill '93, Dr. W. R. McGuirk, Dean A. Meiklejohn '93, Dr. Adrian Matthews, Dr. G. S. Matthews '85, Prof. F. W. Marvel '94, T. F. I. McDonnell '91, Dr. H. Metcalf '84, J. S. Murdock '96, H. T. Metcalf '02, L. Milner '02, Dr. J. W. Mitchell, W. M. Moss '94, W. L. Munroe, M. D., '79, Prof. W. H. Munro, A. M. McCrillis '97, D. F. O'Brien '98, Mr. J. H. Hagan, W. T. O'Donnell '95, Dr. R. F. Church, W. H. O'Neil '92, Mr. J. E. Kendrick, W. P. Otis '96, J. O. Otis '97, Mr. H. W. Harvey, Mr. L. Sweet, H. R. Palmer '90, Mr. D. S. Barry, W. T. Peck '70, F. E. Peckham, M. D. '85, Dr. W. J. McCaw, Dr. J. M. Peters, T. M. Phetteplace '99, R. S. Phillips '96, W. L. Phillips '81, Prof. A. K. Potter '86, A. K. Potter '02, Mr. D. B. Potter, Rev. William Pressey, Prof. W. C. Poland '68, J. A. Pirce '92, Prof. O. E. Randall '84, Mr. R. F. Randall, C. C. Remington '99, J. P. Reynolds '70, W. S. Reynolds '93, C. L. Robinson '05, Mr. Charles B. Rockwell, H. B. Rose '81, W. A. Read '05, Mr. G. O. Sackett, Mr. G. H. Newhall, Mr. C. M. Salisbury, H. D. Sharpe '94, N. W. Smith, (Yale), Mr. Nicholas Sheldon, Mr. B. T. Potter, Mr. C. S. Sisson, R. O. Smith '02, L. M. Snow '83, Mr. Charles R. Stark, Dr. L. L. Henson, Hon. Charles F. Stearns (Amherst), R. W. Steere '01, S. S. Stone '83, Hon. Wm. H. Sweetland '78, Mr. J. W. Hogan, Mr. W. E. Spink, Mr. W. H. Thurber, Mr. Fred. Thurber, Wm. H. Thornley '97, C. R. Thurston '82, J. A. Tillinghast '95, Mr. E. S. Coleman, Mr. Chas. F. Tillinghast, (Mass. Inst. Tech.,) Mr. S. M. Tingley and guest, W. R. Tourtelott '98, W. J. Towne '81, F. A. Vose '99, Rev. James G. Vose, h. '74, Rev. F. J. C. Walton '80, Prof. A. E. Watson '88, Mr. R. C. Watrous, Mr. Wm. B. Weeden, G. F. Weston '78, J. L. Wheaton, Jr., M. D. '91, A. P. Williams '89, Dr. H. A. Whitmarsh '76, Rev. J. E. McConnell (Williams), Prof. G. G. Wilson '86, Mr. J. G. Woolworth.



# “UNPATH'D WATERS; UNDREAM'D SHORES”

(*Poem read at the Brown Midwinter Dinner,  
Trocadero, Providence, February 19, 1906*)

## I

In the old romantic day  
The viking hale and hoary  
Harked to the splashing spray  
On his fog-swept promontory ;  
Bent his ear to the wheedling breeze,  
Strained his eye to the silver seas  
That circle the misty Hebrides,  
And vowed his soul to glory.

The white-wing sea gull, floating high,  
Seemed to his eager heart to cry :  
“Kith and kin of the restless fin,  
Friend of the far-adventurous feather,  
Speed thine oar and spread thy sail  
To the drowsy perfume of the gale,  
To the spell of wind and weather.

Where thy impetuous spirit gropes,  
Ripples the harbor of thy hopes,  
Amid the amethystine slopes  
Of the soft-blowing heather.  
These narrow shores are not for thee,  
Come with our jocund company !  
Gather thy lads and let us flee  
This barren land together.

## II

Thus bidden by a flashing wing,  
And by a deeper impulse spurred  
Than has its bright awakening  
In ardent wind or errant bird—  
(The rebel tide within his veins  
That in young Adam beat and pounded ;  
The insurgent passion that disdains

By meagre barriers to be bounded),  
He spurned the hedgerows and the crags  
Where fragile ferns and fluttering flags  
And the scant star flowers of the North  
Fashioned their daring beauty forth ;

He called his flaxen-headed crew,  
Obedient to his lightest word :  
Tall sailor folk, with eyes of blue  
Wherein the vagrant lightning stirred ;  
They loosed his keen and curving craft,  
They raised the canvas with a will,  
Scarce saw the headland drifting aft,  
Or the disappearing hill :

For when our thought is on the sea,  
What means the mild, mellifluous lea!  
*She* is our only mistress ; she  
Our one absorbing purpose.  
She whispers, and we fain would go  
Where the dark billow breaks to snow  
And the magic of her sunset glow  
Doth thrall us and usurp us.

## III

In the new romantic day,  
The pedant in his study ;  
The slippered bookman much at ease  
With his cherished volume on his  
knees  
And the woodflame leaping ruddy ;  
The chemist at his bench,  
Mixing with calm precision  
'Mid fuming tubes and fiery vents  
The immemorial elements ;  
The poet with his vision—  
These are the vikings born anew,  
These are the hearts that burn to view  
New seas, new shores, new stars that  
sweep  
Over the unadventured deep.

## IV

This is no dull, prosaic day:  
The gentle hearth-smoke, upward  
curling,

Beckons the dreamer far away,  
 Where the universe is swirling.  
 Peaceful it seems, and yet no peace  
 Falls on that spectral-moving host,  
 Destined by Nature's mad caprice  
 For an uncharted coast.  
 Turn where we will, there is no rest,  
 Never a footstool for our feet ;  
 The impatient blood within our breast  
 Shouts to our soul its high behest :  
 "Seek the eternal loveliest,  
 And the undying sweet ! "

## V

We have a viking ship,  
 A valorous craft is she ;  
 Her bulwarks are of brick  
 And she sails an emerald sea.  
 And we love the fame of her ancient  
 name :  
 'Tis the University.  
 She towers high by day,  
 She looms aloft by night,  
 And O ! the yellow gleam

Of her thousand lamps alight.  
 Afar they shine in lavish line,  
 And they make a wondrous sight.

About her spacious decks  
 Stand sailors good and true ;  
 They know the course she steers  
 Under the starry blue.  
 They burn to brave the pathless wave  
 And the constellations new.

God keep her day by day  
 Within His holy charge !  
 He is the First, the Last,  
 The Lofty and the Large,  
 The Aim, the Pole of every soul  
 Beyond the golden marge.  
 Sail on, O viking ship !  
 Sail on, O college mine !  
 With laurel-leaf and rose  
 Thy fearless prow we twine :  
 With sweetest flow'rs, for thou art ours,  
 And we are always thine.

*Henry Robinson Palmer*

## ANNUAL DINNER IN NEW YORK



THE annual reunion and dinner of the Brown University Clubs in New York, of which a brief notice was printed last month, was held at the University Club on Friday evening, January 19, 1906.

The council room of the club had been arranged as a dining-room for the occasion and back of the speakers' table was the club banner, extending across the room and bearing the words "Brown" in large brown letters on a white background.

Norman S. Dike, '85, the president of the club, presided and at his right hand was President Faunce and at his left Charles E. Hughes, '81, the special guest of the evening. Hon. Everett

Colby, '97, was expected to share the honors with Mr. Hughes, but his political duties prevented his being present.

After a short speech regarding the affairs of the club in New York and a few witty stories and reminiscences, Mr. Dike introduced President Faunce, who spoke very earnestly of the present football situation, of the spirit of Brown and of college men in general, and then aroused great enthusiasm by the announcement of the proposed John Hay Library and the contribution of \$150,000 from Mr. Carnegie toward the building fund.

Charles E. Hughes was next introduced, and received a great ovation from everyone present. It was his first speech since the insurance inquiry



ended, and he entertained his audience with a delightful address on Brown, college men, college athletics and public questions.

Hon. Martin W. Littleton, ex-president of the borough of Brooklyn, succeeded Mr. Hughes and followed an eloquent and entertaining speech by a tribute to Mr. Hughes and his recent work, which was a delight to every Brown man present and evoked enthusiastic applause.

The speaking was concluded by Chas. W. Towne, '97, introduced by Mr. Dike as the "Sage of Amesbury," author of the Foolish Dictionary, Foolish Finance and other well known books. Mr. Towne kept the entire gathering laughing from the opening until the close of his speech. He ended with a very clever poem, in Kipling's favorite metre written for the occasion and in honor of Mr. Hughes and Mr. Colby.

At the business meeting the following officers were elected for the coming year:

President, Gardner Colby, '87; vice-president, Dr. H. C. Bumpus, '84; secretary, Alfred B. Meacham, '96; treasurer, William R. Dorman, '92; executive committee, Arthur Lincoln, '70; J. B. F. Herreshoff, '70; James May Duane, '72; Samuel H. Ordway, '80; Charles E. Hughes, '81, and Norman S. Dike, '85.

Following is a list of those present:

Dr. W. H. P. Faunce, Hon. Oscar Straus, Hon. Martin W. Littleton, Hammond Lamont, Horace White, Esq., Austen G. Fox, Esq., A. S. Cushman '48, B. U. Barrows '51, E. H. Magill '52, A. I. Ormsbee '52, C. L. Balch '55, Dr. W. W. Keen '59, Dr. G. L. Porter '59, Dr. A. B. Judson '59, H. K. Porter '60, W. W. Hoppin '61, L. G. Chaffin '67, G. W. Edwards '68, Francis Newton '69, F. W. Freeborn '69, Dr. Chas. Hitchcock '69, Arthur Lincoln '70, Dr. J. F. Lyon '70, J. M. Duane '72, F. M.

Mathewson '73, J. A. King '73, J. W. Perry '74, T. S. Gladding '75, W. C. Greene '75, E. O. Stanley '76, R. H. Tingley '76, C. A. Collins '76, R. G. Hazard '76, C. E. Kimball '77, George Worthington '77, A. C. Collins '78, William Gammell '78, G. I. Malcom '79, Dr. W. L. Munro '79, Dr. A. H. Harrington '79, F. E. Partington '79, C. H. J. Douglas '79, N. W. Keigwin '79, S. H. Ordway '80, Charles E. Hughes '81, Benjamin Baker '81, Mr. Mapes, F. R. Hazard '81, Dr. Z. L. Leonard '80, J. W. Darrow '80, Dr. C. F. Adams '81, A. B. Corthell '81, F. L. Gamage '82, E. S. Lyon '83, E. M. May '83, E. S. Dunlevy '83, Ira Barrows '83, E. O. Silver '83, R. Lamb '83, Dr. J. Aldrich '83, J. I. Chaffee '83, Mr. Vogel, Mr. Knox, M. J. Harson '84, H. K. Stokes '85, Norman S. Dike '85, Frank Mauran '85, Arthur Howe '85, C. A. Reed '86, John Knox '87, Gardner Colby '87, L. F. Snow '87, F. H. Brownell '88, W. S. Simmons, Jr. '89, L. St. C. Colby '89, Frank A. Sayles '90, W. B. Perry, Jr. '91, Dr. A. S. Taylor '91, M. S. Brown '92, T. H. Rothwell '93, Charles A. Selden '93, Rev. W. S. Richardson '94, W. T. Dorrance '94, W. C. Wyckoff '95, F. L. C. Keating '95, A. B. Meacham '96, J. D. Rockefeller, Jr. '97, W. M. Dashiell '97, C. W. Towne '97, W. D. Phillips '97, E. W. Collins '97, E. C. Broome '97, R. R. Hunter '98, D. L. Fultz '98, William Lauder '98, Dr. E. S. Gushee '98, B. D. Whiting '98, M. F. Church '98, C. B. Dana '99, F. W. Murphy '99, U. C. Brewer '99, Dr. J. M. Kent '99, J. W. Campbell '99, P. H. Burns '99, Dr. L. T. Jackman '99, F. S. Johnson '99, W. Bigelow '99, Rev. A. Mangano '99, Rev. J. M. Bruce, J. G. Melendy '01, Dr. F. D. Williams '01, C. Sherman Hoyt '01, George Burdick '02, E. R. Craig '02, O. J. Case '02, G. S. Newcomb '02, W. H. Turner '03, Daniel Hurley '03, J. D. Drew '03.

## FIRST FRUITS OF THE NEW PRINCETON SYSTEM

*From an address by Professor Hiram Bridgham before the American Historical Association at Baltimore*



WELL known is the fact that Princeton has recently adopted a new plan for the instruction of undergraduates. That the change is revolutionary in character is shown by the fact that in order to put the plan into operation Princeton has increased her faculty nearly fifty per cent. by the addition of a group of men whose rank is that of an assistant professor, whose title is the good old English word preceptor, whose main business is teaching, and whose characteristics were understood even by Boswell, when he said: "Good temper is a most essential requisite in a preceptor." \* \* \*

Heretofore, somewhat regardless of human nature, we have expected the undergraduate to take a real interest in subjects which were so far as he is concerned, rarely, if ever, the topics of conversation. The monologue of the lecturer may be amusing, but it can never become a real conversation. However, this is obtainable when there are gathered together informally four or five men who have all been reading about the same things. This is what happens at the small weekly conference in the preceptor's study. The discussion is about the reading; it is free and informal. Everyone has to talk, and before he knows it he "gets the habit," the habit of talking about intellectual matters. A discussion begun in the preceptor's study is continued at the club. A topic which was before an unspeakable nuisance becomes a matter of live interest; there is a new object in reading. Almost everyone likes to be able to talk on the subjects his friends are discussing. The result is that the conversation around the club tables in Princeton is actually undergoing a marked change in its character and that

while no one pretends that the reading is light and easy, very few do not find it interesting and worth while. \* \* \*

The ordinary conference consists of four or five men and lasts about fifty minutes. The main object of the preceptor is to get the men to talk freely and intelligently about what they have read.

Seeing them so frequently and informally, in his own study, about a variety of topics, he has the opportunity for that sympathetic personal contact with the undergraduate which is so essential.

These friendly relations are the more easily maintained because the student knows that the preceptor gives neither examinations, marks, nor grades. Lest the student take advantage of such a loose bond the preceptor is given the absolute right to debar any man from taking an examination. This power enables him to secure regular attendance at conferences and faithful attention to work. But there is removed from his relations with the student that commercial idea of working for marks which has annoyed so many of us in the past. For this there is substituted in the student's mind the desire to be able to take an intelligent share in his friends' conversation; in other words, a desire to maintain his self-respect. It goes without saying that this attitude of mind lends itself much more readily to the acquisition of a permanent and genuine interest in the subjects of his reading. He is, in fact, likely to become a reading man.

Another good feature of the plan is its flexibility. The majority of men are sufficiently alike to be handled successfully in the small groups. But for the exceptional man individual conferences are essential. If he is exceptionally



good, and stays so, he now has the chance to go as far and as fast as he likes. If he is exceptionally poor, and stays so, he is the sooner tried out and dropped from the course. And it is quite as essential that the exceptionally poor student should be steered out of that course which, in his unwisdom, he has selected, as that the exceptionally good student should be steered as far along the chosen course as his motive power will carry him.

It was feared by some that the system would lead to coddling and that the preceptors would become mere private tutors, coaching for examination. Now it is the business of the coach to cover all the points that are likely to be asked on an examination and to see that his pupil has mastered the necessary elements. But this is not the business of the preceptor. He is not a quiz-master. In fact, there may be large and important sections of the book under discussion which he never mentions at all. While, to be sure, it is his place to see that the student has been working, and to find out how the work was done, it is more especially his duty to clear up dark corners, to answer questions, but, above all, to arouse and stimulate the under-

graduate's interest in intellectual matters.

The results, so far, are most satisfactory. More work, more regularity, fewer delinquents, more interest and a few cases of really remarkable extensive reading. Although working without the assurance of extra credit for collateral reading, one man has already read in one course the equivalent of twenty octavo volumes, like Ireland's "Far Eastern Tropics," and another man has read the equivalent of ten such volumes.

To arouse, stimulate and establish a sound, healthy, manly interest in intellectual matters, this, if I understand it aright, is the aim of the Princeton system. It is too early to say definitely that it will succeed, but so far as one can read the signs, the ultimate results will be such as to delight and surprise even the most ardent supporters of President Woodrow Wilson, whose clear vision is directing the establishment of the system, and to whom belongs the credit of recognizing and appreciating the importance of the man who teaches, and of making it possible for him and the undergraduate to come together in sympathetic personal contact.

## AS TO PROFANE SONGS



At the Brown dinner in Providence, on the evening of February 19, a few of those present appeared to take great pleasure in the rendition of certain bacchanalian and profane ditties, set to religious music. A prominent officer of the university, disturbed by this, sends the MONTHLY the following communication:

"Some of our friends, including myself, thought that the one and only blot on the Providence dinner was the indulgence in profane songs, which were simply parodies of well known religious hymns. The apologist might say that these songs are no worse than the bibulous songs that were so popular in college twenty years ago. I remember, however, that the ALUMNI MONTHLY suggested a year or two ago that profanity ought to be banished from student songs. Cannot the MONTHLY reinforce this position still more strongly? \* \*

The particular song they (the singers in question at the dinner) sang was echoing over our campus the next day, so quick are the undergraduates to follow the lead of their elders. With this exception I think we may say the dinner was remarkably good. Never in the staid city of Providence have I seen so much enthusiasm on such an occasion."

The MONTHLY agrees very thoroughly with the letter and spirit of this communication. It is neither necessary nor fitting to introduce into Brown gatherings, especially of a semi-public character, such refrains as "Hallelujah, Have a highball!" or "Cheer Up Boys, There Ain't No Hell!" or songs in which "damn" is a sweet morsel to roll under the tongue. Occasional lapses of this sort might occasion a tolerant smile, but when a certain element in the alumni and undergraduate bodies seems bent on the systematic and enthusiastic glorification of profanity, it is time to call a halt.

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UNIVERSITY ARCHITECTURE

In planning for the John Hay Memorial Library it will be well to keep in mind the prime necessity of building it on worthy architectural lines. Not all the recent structures at the college have proved satisfactory from the aesthetic point of view. Whatever the reason, whether an inadequate supply of money for the purpose in hand or some other consideration has interfered with the attainment of a pleasing architectural ensemble, it is self-evident that the results, to be specific, in the case of Maxcy Hall, Rockefeller Hall and the administration building do not commend themselves to a large number of the graduates and friends of the university.

When a college is in process of rapid development and there is not enough money available to erect the sort of building that everybody agrees is desirable, a temptation exists, of course,

to construct the largest, not to say the best, building that can be procured without going into debt. Colleges, like individuals, are wont to find that recitation halls and similar structures threaten to cost more than they were intended to cost, and a frequent result is that the plans are modified to suit the financial exigency. It is understood that this is the case with respect to some buildings at Brown. In each such instance, however, it would be wise to erect a structure of such a character that it can be added to or improved when money is easier.

The administration building occupies a conspicuous site—one of the most conspicuous sites, indeed, on the university grounds. Standing as it does at the brow of the hill, it is passed by thousands of people on foot and in street cars every day in the year. And what is the impression it gives? Probably it impresses different people in different ways, but to us it always brings up the vision of innumerable town halls and rural academies. It is a convenient building, well arranged for the purposes for which it was designed, but it could not be called, by any stretch of the imagination, stately or charming. Perhaps the best adjective to apply to it is tolerable. Compare it with the new administration building at Yale and its indifferent architectural attributes are at once noticeable. The Yale building cost more money, but it is worth it. It is a "little gem" and for our own part we should be tempted to advise a policy of hoarding the building fund in each and every case until a building could be put up in which we may all take honest and intelligent pride. The mere multiplicity of buildings may be a disadvantage.

Of Maxcy Hall it may be said that it has one redeeming feature. It occupies a modest position on Lincoln Field and



is so well surrounded by other buildings that it does not much offend the eye. It was built when the student body was rapidly expanding and more dormitory room was urgently demanded. No such demand now exists, however, and if there are to be any more dormitories, we trust they will be as handsome as Caswell Hall, which does not give the impression of having been slapped together.

Rockefeller Hall, we believe, is an architectural disappointment. It is very satisfactory inside but, presumably because the original plans had to be reduced in cost, it does not present an impressive exterior. Especially is this true of the campus facade. There seems to be what Cowper called "an aching void" very near the centre of the large structure. It looks as if somebody had at one time intended to do something for the adornment of this middle portion and had then, like Lily Bart, abandoned the enterprise and gone on a picnic. In this instance, however, the problem is not hopeless. Something can be done for the improved appearance of the building. What is needed to take from Rockefeller Hall the central barrenness of its southerly facade is suggested by one interested observer of the problem to be to erect a two-storied portico with high pillars. This would be at once useful and ornamental. It would afford a pleasant outdoor place of resort even in stormy weather and at the same time give a dignity and grace to the building that it does not now possess.

The new library, it is beginning to be seen, must be erected on generous lines. The figures representing the cost of other university libraries, which Mr. Brown gives in his article elsewhere in this number of the magazine, show that we must abandon the old-time notion that such an establishment can be housed for \$150,000 or even \$300,000. And if we are going to expend such a large amount for a library it must occupy a commanding site and be built on the best architectural models. It would be a crying shame to add to the group of university buildings another structure dominating them all by reason of its mass and yet out of harmony with the canons of intelligent and instructed art.

We believe that it is impossible to lay too much stress upon this point. Every precaution must be taken to exclude favoritism and incompetency in the choice of architects. The building must be erected with as much care as was expended in the preparations for the Rhode Island state capital, which, being a thing of beauty, is likewise a joy forever. There are some Brown men who have not yet got into their heads the idea that we have an unusual opportunity to create a fine memorial to a great man in Providence. If the appeal is made on a sufficiently broad basis, there is no reason in the world why John Hay's most beautiful and most enduring monument should not be built right here. But there must be breadth and vision in our preliminary conception of it.

## TOPICS OF THE MONTH



BECAUSE of certain unavoidable contingencies the MONTHLY is unable in this issue to present a full report of all the alumni meetings that have recently been held, but it hopes to catch up with the record next month. Reports from the several reunions are all encouraging, large numbers of graduates being in attendance and the enthusiasm proving spontaneous and contagious. The largest dinner was that at Providence, of which an account is elsewhere printed. The Boston dinner brought together the largest company of Brown men ever gathered in the Hub.



**Brown Dinner at Washington** January 24 was the date of the annual dinner at the University Club in Washington. Secretary Olcott writes that it was "purely informal, giving each alumnus an opportunity to meet each other alumnus present. The refreshments were served in the form of a buffet during the evening. We had a program of speech-making, interspersed by college glees and old-fashioned songs."

A. M. Quick of Baltimore, president of the association, presided, and President W. H. P. Faunce made the address of the evening.

Dr. J. F. Jameson, director of the department of historical research of the Carnegie Institution, was the next speaker. He made a plea for a higher estimation of professors as a class. Following him, J. B. Bishop, '71, secretary of the isthmian canal commission, spoke on the value of the study of the classics. The other speakers were: H. M. Rose, secretary of the senate, and J. C. Monaghan, '85, chief of the bureau of manufactures of the department of commerce and labor.

Officers of the association for the coming year we elected as follows: A. M. Quick, president; H. E. Day, vice-president; John H. Olcott, secretary and treasurer, and W. A. Slade, George B.

McClellan and T. E. B. Pope, executive committee.

Those present were: Dr. W. H. P. Faunce, Joseph B. Bishop, Isaac P. Noyes, John H. Olcott, J. H. Tyler, George W. Clement, J. H. Johnson, D. L. D. Granger, Henry M. Rose, J. F. Jameson, J. C. Monaghan, Herbert E. Day, M. W. Lyon, A. M. Quick, George B. McClellan, W. A. Slade, W. M. Jernegan, Lawrence G. Painter, T. E. B. Pope, W. G. Leland, H. Metcalf and Ellis F. Frost.



**Alumni Meeting At Albany** Dr. William McDonald, Jr., '95, entertained a company

of Brown men at dinner at the Fort Orange Club, Albany, N. Y., on Thursday evening, February 15. It was the annual meeting of the Brown Alumni Association of Albany and vicinity and President Faunce was the principal guest. "The spirit of the occasion was splendid," writes C. S. Stedman, '96, the secretary.

The officers for the ensuing year were chosen as follows:

President, Thomas D. Anderson, D. D., '74; first vice-president, Osgood H. Shepard, '69; second vice-president, Wm. McDonald, Jr., '95; secretary, Charles S. Aldrich, '94. 2 Keenan Bldg., Troy, N. Y.; treasurer, William G. Ely, '90 Executive committee: chairman, C. M. Graves, '95, H. L. Smith, '96, C. R. Green, '02.

The following resolutions were voted:

**RESOLVED:** That the Brown Alumni Association of Albany and vicinity approve the organization of a federation of university and college clubs for the purpose of united action by college men on matters of national importance, and that a committee of three with the president of the association as chairman be appointed to co-operate with the Connecticut Valley alumni with full power.

**RESOLVED:** That a committee of five be appointed to secure the entrance certificate privilege or the approval by the New England Entrance Certificate Board for Preparatory Schools within the jurisdiction of this association with a view of sending more students from this locality to Brown University.

**RESOLVED:** That a committee of five be appointed to present copies of the next *Liber Brunensis* as a gift of the association to the preparatory schools in this vicinity which



might be influenced to send more students to Brown University and that the committee be empowered to use its discretion as to the number and location of such schools.

Those present were: President Faunce; Dr. S. R. Morrow, '70, Albany; T. D. Anderson, '74, Albany; W. G. Ely, '90, Schenectady; L. B. Wilmarth, '90, Rensselaer; C. S. Aldrich, '94, Troy; Dr. Wm. McDonald, Jr., '95, Providence; C. M. Graves, '95, Bennington; H. L. Smith, '96, Schenectady; C. S. Stedman, '96, Albany; W. S. Seamans, Jr., '02, Schenectady; E. N. White, '03, Hudson; A. F. Crowell, '03, Schenectady; L. H. Nichols, '03, Bennington; William McDonald, Albany; R. C. Graves, '98, Bennington.



**A Little Essay on College Loyalty** A graduate of Brown sends us the following extract from an address by the late Professor Edward North of Hamilton College, which he thinks has a local application:

"We are all anxious to help the college, and there are a dozen ways of doing it. We can help the college by setting an example of educated manhood and intelligent, upright citizenship. We can help the college by giving money to its treasury, or books to its library, or portraits to its gallery, or samples to its hall of natural history, or trees to its campus, or sons to its classes. We can help the college by speaking a good word for it on the street or the platform, or in the pulpit, or through the press, or in a womanly postscript. Last, but not least, we can help the college by praying for it, and the prayer of the righteous graduate availeth much.

"The real trouble with our college is that so many of its alumni are Micawbers, waiting for a million to turn up and bring in millennial glory. I fell in with a graduate the other day who believes in something beyond Micawberizing. He preaches the Gospel in a small rural parish where they pay him \$500 with a donation party thrown in. This rural pastor told us he owed the college a large debt, and wanted to pay the interest on it, if the college would take what he could offer. This salary went for his living, and his children were all girls. He believed in special

providences and, that the Lord might be sure to understand his prayer, he prayed for Hamilton College in particular, and by name, as well as for higher education in general. His prayer for Hamilton College has been answered already.

Coming down from his pulpit one Sunday, he met a sturdy cheesemaker with his little wife beside him, who wanted to know about the college he had prayed for. Said he, 'Wife and I have a boy at home who is all for books, and Wife thinks he ought to go to college. But we can't spare him yet, for he's mighty handy at milking cows.' The minister saw his chance there, and went on to tell how he was drilling that boy twice a day in his Greek and Latin. Said he, 'I'll have him ready for college in two years, and I mean he shall capture a key, if not the valedictory.' That is the kind of loyalty that will build up Hamilton College."



#### **A Sidelight on Co-Education**

A well known college professor, according to a Rhode Island paper, offers two horns of a dilemma to advocates of co-education. "If you lecture to 20 boys and 20 girls in the same room," he asks, "will the boys attend to the lecture or to the girls?" Of course, the co-educationist, to be consistent, must say that they will listen to the lecture. "Well, if they do," replies the dean, "they are not worth lecturing to."



#### **Gifts to the Women's College**

A beautiful copper and brass loving cup and pair of brass candle sticks were presented to the library of Pembroke Hall as a Christmas gift, by Miss Amelia S. Knight.

The Women's College received from Professor Bailey another Christmas present in the form of an old English print of Pembroke College, Cambridge, England. The prints date from about 1814.

Miss A. S. Knight has given to the Slater Memorial Homestead a complete set, in ten volumes of "The Masterpieces and the History of Literature," by Julian Hawthorne.

### **Libers and Trophies Wanted for the Union**

The library committee of the Brown Union is trying to secure a file of Libers for the shelves in the reading room, and would gratefully acknowledge the receipt of any copies which the alumni may be willing to contribute. The trophies committee also desires all the team photographs and athletic trophies which it can obtain, and calls upon each alumnus who may possess any object suitable for a place in the trophy room to send his name and address to the Union office.

*Paul Matteson, President*



### **Family Relationship Among Brown Graduates**

Two interesting instances of family relationships among Brown graduates have recently been published in the ALUMNI MONTHLY. A very notable instance is afforded by the following family array of recipients of Brown degrees. Theodore Foster was graduated at Brown in 1770. His son-in-law, Stephen Tillinghast, was graduated in 1788. The latter's son, Charles Foster Tillinghast, was graduated in 1814. His brother was George Hopkins Tillinghast, 1814, while William Richmond, his brother-in-law, was of the same class. James Tillinghast, son of Charles F., was graduated in 1849. He is still living in Providence, and is the senior member of the Rhode Island bar.

James Tillinghast's four children are graduates of Brown, as follows: William Richmond Tillinghast, 1879; Henry Anthony Tillinghast, 1882; Theodore Foster Tillinghast, 1884, and Miss Charlotte Luanne Tillinghast, 1896.

It should be added that Stephen Hopkins, first chancellor of the university and a signer of the declaration of independence, was an honorary graduate of the college and the great, great, great-grandfather of the youngest generation here mentioned.



**Mr. Bishop Writes About John Hay** The Century Magazine for March publishes an article upon John Hay by Joseph Bucklin

Bishop, secretary of the isthmian canal commission, and a graduate of Brown in the class of 1870. Mr. Bishop was a close personal friend of Mr. Hay for more than 30 years, first meeting him in the office of the *New York Tribune* in the winter of 1870, when both were members of the staff of that journal. He writes of him in the light of this long and intimate friendship, giving many anecdotes and publishing for the first time several letters which are certain to prove of great interest. The article is of especial interest to Brown men because of the proposed John Hay library for the university.



**Professor Ward Coming to Brown** Professor Lester Frank Ward, one of the most distinguished sociologists of the day, will come to Brown as professor of sociology in September. He will conduct graduate courses and those dealing with sociological theory.

Professor Ward is a graduate of Columbian University. He has received many honors at home and abroad and is now serving as the first president of the American Sociological Society. A list of his writings would include about 500 titles. He has long been connected with the Smithsonian Institution at Washington and given extended courses of lectures on sociology at the University of Chicago, Stanford University and elsewhere. Professor Giddings has said of him: "All sociologists are under a heavy debt of gratitude to him, and their indebtedness to Ward is at least as great as to August Comte and Herbert Spencer."



**First Southern Alumni Meeting** The first reunion and dinner of the southern alumni will occur in Atlanta, Ga., on the evening of Friday, March 23, 1906. Among the guests and speakers will be President Faunce, Governor Terrell of Georgia and members of the Georgia supreme court. A cordial invitation is extended to all Brown men who are living in Dixie to attend this dinner and it is re-

quested that anyone intending to do so will notify President Charles K. Francis, Converse College, Spartanburg, S. C.

Further notice concerning the meeting will be sent to those who have promised to be present and to any others who contemplate coming.



#### Retirement of Professor W. W. Bailey

It is announced that Professor William Whitman Bailey, '64, LL. D., is to

retire from the Brown faculty at the close of the present academic year. Professor Bailey has been in impaired health for several years and feels it unwise to continue to carry the burden of regular class-room work. He will, however, retain a close connection with the university and be available for counsel at all times.

Dr. Bailey has taught at Brown for nearly 28 years, and for a quarter of a century has been professor of botany. Hundreds of graduates look back to their association with him with pleasure and affection, remembering his genuine interest in his work, his wide learning and his kindliness of spirit.

Professor Bailey has written and lectured much on botanical subjects and his literary productions, both in prose and in verse, have been marked by a high quality of delicacy and devotion to beauty. All who have come into contact with him will wish for him an abundant prosperity and restored good health.



#### Debating Triumphs

As this number of the MONTHLY is late in going to press, we are enabled to chronicle Brown's dual triumph in debate. On the evening of March 5 the first debates of the triangular league occurred at Brown, Williams and Dartmouth. The question for simultaneous discussion was regarding the limitation of expenditures for college athletics to subscriptions from the student body.

One Brown team won from Williams at Providence, while the other Brown team won from Dartmouth at Han-

#### Baseball Schedule for April

April 4, Trinity at Providence; 7, Manhattan at Providence; 11, Wesleyan at Providence; 14, Tufts at Providence; 18, Bowdoin at Providence; 19, Holy Cross at Worcester (Patriot's Day); 21, Massachusetts State ("Amherst Aggies") at Providence; 25, Dartmouth at Providence; 28, Princeton at Providence.

There are two games each with Harvard, Yale and Princeton, the second Yale game coming on Memorial Day, May 1, at Providence.



#### Department of Geology Improvements

The northwest room in the basement of Sayles Hall has been fitted up by the department of geology for work in mineralogy and lithology. The laboratory will accommodate about thirty students, and although the room is in a basement the position of the windows and the whitened walls will insure a fair light during most of the working day. The room is fitted with laboratory tables, working cases of representative specimens, and wall cases of minerals and rocks for reserve and illustrative purposes. For later work in mineralogy, gas fixtures, etc., for blow-pipe analysis are provided. All the collections of minerals and rocks—many very valuable specimens—formerly housed in Rhode Island Hall, are now in the room of the department of geology. Lately there has been added, through the gift of the department of geology at Harvard, some three or four hundred pounds of duplicate laboratory material for use in the classes at Brown.

On Tuesday evening, March 20, the department of geology will entertain in its rooms the Providence Franklin Society. At the time the laboratories and collections will be open to the society for inspection. Mr. Brown, the head of the department, will give a talk on "A Geologist's Camp at the Snow Line in the Colorado Rockies," illustrated by some 90 slides made from photographs taken by members of the Harvard summer course in Rocky Mountain geology, of which Mr. Brown was an assistant in 1903. The lecture will be open to members of the university.



## OBITUARIES

### ALEXANDER WYLLY COUPER, 1854

Alexander Wyllly Couper, of the class of 1854, died at his home in Sterling, Glynn County, Ga., July 9, 1905. He was the son of James Hamilton and Caroline Georgia Couper and was born at Hopeton, Glynn County, Ga., February 13, 1833.

He prepared for college at Northampton, Mass., and entered Brown University in the autumn of 1850. After graduating in 1854 with the degree of A. B., he returned to the south and from 1855-59 served as a clerk in some of the cotton houses of Savannah, Ga. From 1860-63 he was engaged in planting cotton, assisting his father on the "Hamilton" plantation, St. Simon's Island, Ga., and afterwards near Waycross, Ga.

In 1863 he enlisted as a private soldier in the 60th Georgia regiment, C. S. A. He was wounded at Spotsylvania but returned to his command and served until the close of the war as a courier to Gen. Clement A. Evans.

After the war was over he resumed planting and in the course of a few years acquired a small tract of land near Hopeton, Ga., and building a house resided there for the remainder of his life. He devoted himself chiefly to the keeping of bees, in which he was eminently successful. He never married. He leaves a brother Mr. Robert H. Couper of Malbone, Ga.

While in college Mr. Couper was a member of the United Brothers Society. He was a member of the Episcopal Church and continued to the end an humble follower of the Cross.

### RICHARD FLETCHER PUTNAM, 1855

Rev. Richard Fletcher Putnam of the class of 1855 died at his residence in New York city on January 14, 1906, aged 73 years and 13 days. He was the son of John and Adeline Putnam and was born in Boston, Mass., January 1, 1833. He attended the Chauncey Hall and Boston Latin schools and entered Brown University in 1851, from which he was graduated in 1855 with the degree of A. M.

After graduation he taught for five years in the Quincy Public School, Boston; he then studied under Rabbi Wolfe and at the General Theological Seminary, New York, and entered the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church, receiving his ordination at the Church of the Messiah, Boston, 1861. His first charge was at Framingham Centre, Mass., where he was rector of St. John's Church. For a short time he was a missionary in Oregon and afterward served as rector of Emmanuel Church, Grass Valley, Cal.; and later of the Church of the Advent, San Francisco, Cal.

He resigned his work so that he could visit the Lambeth Conference, and for some years afterward traveled in the East, visiting Jerusalem and the Syrian holy places. On his return he was called to the rectorship of St. Mary's Church, Newton Lower Falls, Mass.,

where he labored for seven years until failing health compelled him to resign. A period of rest having restored his health he undertook work again as rector of Trinity Church, Lime Rock, Conn. This was his last parish. Some nine years ago he went to reside in New York and since that time he has served as assistant minister of All Saints' Church, but owing to impaired sight and health he has of late years seldom officiated.

Mr. Putnam gave much attention to literary work. He was one of a committee of two appointed by the Diocesan Convention of California to found and to edit the *Pacific Churchman*. He contributed to the press occasional sermons, an oration delivered before the town authorities of Grass Valley in commemoration of the death of President Lincoln, and was for sixteen years connected with the *Home Journal* of New York.

While in college Mr. Putnam became engaged to Miss Sarah Maria Love of Providence, whom he married May 26, 1856. She died December 24, 1877, and four years later, on January 11, 1882, he married Miss Sarah A. Brock of Richmond, Va., who survives him.

### DAVID SHERMAN BAKER, 1875

After a month of painful illness, David Sherman Baker, one of the leading members of the Rhode Island bar and long prominent in the Democratic party of the state, died at his home in Providence on Saturday, January 27, 1906, aged 54 years and 16 days. He was the son of David Sherman Baker and Mary Cahoon Waite and was born in Wickford, R. I., January 11, 1853.

He prepared for college at the East Greenwich Academy and entered Brown University in the autumn of 1871, graduating with the degree of A. B. in 1875. Three years later he received the degree of A. M.

After his graduation he at once began the study of law in the office of Samuel Curry, under whose tuition many of the leading lawyers of the state gained their legal knowledge, and in 1877 was admitted to the bar. He began practice for himself in the office of E. D. Bassett, and afterwards occupied offices with Judge Spink, although no partnership existed in either case. During these years he was admitted to practice in the U. S. Circuit Court and the U. S. Supreme Court. About 1890 he formed a partnership with his brother, Hon. William C. Baker, '81, who afterwards became mayor of Providence. This partnership continued until the autumn of 1895. Since 1896 Mr. Baker has had associated with him in practice, Mr. Lewis A. Waterman, '94. Thomas F. I. McDonnell, '91, has also been associated with him in practice and last September the three entered into a formal partnership.

Mr. Baker was an active Democrat and was for a long time prominent in his party, having been chosen for a number of prominent offices.

For six years following his graduation from college he served as superintendent of schools for the town of North Kingstown. He was a member of the Rhode Island House of Representatives two terms, from 1878-80, and a member of the Senate three terms, from 1882-85. In 1885 he was appointed by President Cleveland, United States District Attorney, holding the position until 1889. In 1893 he was the Democratic candidate for governor of Rhode Island and received a plurality vote. At that time, however, the constitution required a majority vote and it became necessary for the General Assembly to choose the governor and other general officers. When the General Assembly met they refused to go into a committee of the whole and the former officers held over. The next year Mr. Baker was again the Democratic candidate for governor but was defeated.

Mr. Baker was at one time a member of the commission for the revision of the state constitution and was a member of the state house commission. He was a member of the Masonic Order, belonging to the lodge at Wickford. He was also a member of the Hope Club, the University Club, the Providence Bar Club and the Rhode Island Bar Association.

On June 5, 1882, Mr. Baker married Miss Anita C. Candler, daughter of the Hon. John W. Candler of Brookline, Mass., a former member of the National House of Representatives from Massachusetts. Mrs. Baker survives him with four children, Anita Wheelwright, Gladys Candler, David Sherman and Ruth Sherman Baker.

#### NELSON ALLEN WOOD, 1899

Nelson Allen Wood of the class of 1899 died at the home of his parents in New Bedford, Mass., January 12, 1906, after a week's

sickness of pneumonia, at the age of 28 years, 7 months and 22 days. He was the son of Allen F. Wood of the class of 1869, and Adelaide F. Wood, and was born May 21, 1877, in New Bedford, where he passed most of his life. He prepared for college in the New Bedford high school and entered Brown University in September, 1895, and graduated in June, 1899, with the degree of A. B. In the autumn of that year he entered the New Bedford Textile school, then opening for its first year. At the completion of a two years' course he graduated with the highest honors and received a bronze medal from the New England Cotton Manufacturers Association, awarded for excellency of scholarship. He then entered the Wamsutta Mills, where for three years he sought to perfect himself in the art of manufacturing fine cotton goods. In June, 1904, he left the mills and became instructor in the International Correspondence School of Textiles located in New Bedford, and forming a branch of the correspondence school of Scranton, Pa., and remained in this school until the time of his fatal illness. Shortly before his death he completed a text-book which is now in use by the students of the school.

#### IRVING LIVINGSTON BRADLEY, 1903

Irving Livingston Bradley died at his home in Providence on January 23, 1906, aged 25 years, 7 months and 12 days. He was the son of Whipple B. and Sarah A. Townsend Bradley and was born in Providence, June 11, 1880. After graduating from the English high school he entered Brown University in 1899 but owing to failing health was obliged to leave before the close of his first year. Mr. Bradley had a large circle of friends. He leaves a father, mother, brother and sister.

## BRUNONIANIANS FAR AND NEAR



N January 1, 1906, Borden Durfee Whiting, '98, was made assistant general attorney for the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad, with which he has been connected since 1903.

Mr. Whiting was born in St. Louis, Mo., January 3, 1876. He was educated in the public schools of Providence and in 1894 entered Brown University, where from the first he took a prominent position. He was elected a member of the Phi Beta Kappa and in his senior year was president of his class.

After his graduation in 1898 he entered the New York Law School, receiving his degree of bachelor of laws in 1900. The same year he was admitted to the bar of New York and began the practice of law in New York city. In 1902 he returned to Rhode Island, was admitted to the state bar and began the practice of law in Providence while residing in Warwick. In November, 1903, he was elected a member

of the Rhode Island house of representatives. Shortly afterwards he accepted the position of assistant attorney for the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad and returned to New York city. On January 1, 1905, he was made attorney for the road and has held that position until the present time when appointed to the more responsible position of assistant general attorney. His business address is 26 Exchange Place, New York city.

On January 9, 1901, Mr. Whiting married Miss Emily Louise Clark. They have one son, Myles Whiting, born December 12, 1901.

Recently organized is the law firm of Green, Hinckley and Allen, consisting of Theodore F. Green, '87, Frank L. Hinckley, '91, and Arthur M. Allen, '97. The offices of this firm are on the fourth floor of the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co.'s building, 15 Westminster street. Messrs. Green, Hinckley and Allen have been associated in the practice of the law for two years, but have only lately formed a partnership.

1849 et al.

At the recent organization of the American Society of International Law, Hon. Richard Olney, LL. D., 1856, and Hon. Oscar S. Straus, Litt. D., hon. 1896, were chosen vice-presidents; President James B. Angell, LL. D., 1849, president of the executive com-



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mittee, and Professor George Grafton Wilson, Ph. D., 1886, a member of the executive committee.

1877

Frederic A. Hyde is superintendent of schools at Silverton, Colo.

1851

The following account of the exercises at Simmons College, Abilene, Texas, in memory of Rev. Dr. J. B. Simmons has been received from the president of that institution:

"After the service at the Fifth Avenue Baptist church in New York, conducted by Rev. Dr. MacArthur, the body was, pursuant to the will of the deceased, brought to Abilene, Texas, by the son, Dr. Robert S. Simmons, for interment on the campus of Simmons College, beside the grave of his wife, Mary E. Simmons.

The funeral was under the direction of the board of trustees of this institution. The remains were taken, immediately upon their arrival by train, to the college chapel, where a military guard of students was maintained until the hour of the second funeral service, 3 P. M., Monday, December 25.

The funeral address was delivered by Lee R. Scarborough, pastor of the First Baptist church, and addresses were also given by President Oscar H. Cooper and representatives of the trustees. The procession to the

grave was then taken up, the students present immediately following the cortege. The trustees acted both as active and honorary pall bearers, and Dr. Robert S. Simmons walked with President Cooper. A large concourse of people attended.

In accordance with resolutions adopted by the trustees, December 17th is set apart to be perpetually observed as founder's day, and no college work will be done on that day. Dr. Simmons has given to Simmons College, all told, about one hundred thousand dollars. The institution is for the training of whites alone, as are all southern institutions of the sort, and registered last year three hundred and fifty students.

1856

In the summer of the commencement of the Russo-Japanese war, according to a writer in the *Boston Herald*, the late Secretary of State John Hay came to his summer home at Lake Sunapee for a few days' rest. Naturally, it was important to him to have close and constant communication with the outside world, and arrangements had accordingly been made for telegrams to be sent up to him from the telegraph office.

As the situation of the eastern affairs became more tense and exciting Secretary Hay was expecting very important communications but none came. A day went by, and no word. The next morning a messenger was dispatched early to see if there was any message.

"No," said the operator, "there is none."

"But has none come?" he was asked.

"W-all, one came yesterday, but there was no sense to it, so I did not send it up."

The message had come in cipher.

1858

Col. R. H. I. Goddard, '58, after a long term of service has retired from the board of trustees of the Providence Public Library.

1863

The nomination of Col. Daniel R. Ballou, '63, of Providence, to be United States Marshall was sent by President Roosevelt to the Senate on February 14, and was promptly confirmed.

1866 honorary

On February 8, 1906, William Augustus Mowry, 1866 honorary, delivered an address before the Rhode Island Citizens' Historical Association. His subject was "The Difficulties in the Study of History."

1867

On Friday, February 26, 1906, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bridgman and the Misses Bridgman sailed on the steamer Republic for Algiers, where they will spend the rest of the winter.

1868

On February 9, at Fair Haven, Mass., Prof. W. C. Poland, '68, delivered a lecture on "Italian Painting."



1870

Joseph Bucklin Bishop, '70, who was in charge of the editorial page of the *Globe* of New York, and resigned his position in September to accept that of secretary of the Isthmian Canal Commission, was, on December 20, 1905, appointed a member of the commission. His address is Isthmian Canal Commission, Washington D. C.

Professor Wilfred H. Munro, '70, delivered an address at Bristol, February 22, before the Daughters of the American Revolution.

1874

At chapel on February 3, 1906, Professor Henry Mixter Penniman, '74, now actively engaged in the upbuilding of Berea College, Kentucky, gave an interesting address on the Kentucky pioneers.

1875 honorary

William B. Weeden gave an interesting lecture before the Rhode Island Historical Society on January 16, 1906, on "War Government, Federal and State, in Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania and Indiana, 1861-65."

1876

At the annual meeting and dinner of the Massachusetts Association of Boards of Health at Hotel Brunswick, Boston, on January 24, Dr. Charles V. Chapin, '76, presided. He also read a paper on "The Causes of Death in Providence for Fifty Years."

1883

The address of Lewis Dexter, Jr., is 65 Las Casas street, Malden, Mass.

On January 20, 1906, Dr. and Mrs. Fred Williams, '83, celebrated the fifteenth anniversary of their wedding with a whist at their home in Bristol, R. I.

Rev. C. M. Sheldon, '83, of Topeka, Kansas, addressed a large audience at the Y. M. C. A. building, Providence, on Sunday, February 4, 1906. His subject was "Christian Socialism." He made several several other addresses in this city and on Tuesday morning, February 6, addressed the students of the university at chapel.

Governor Stokes, '83, of New Jersey, spoke to the students in chapel on Saturday morning, February 17.

1887

On January 23, 1906, Professor Bronson, '87, was one of the speakers at the Churchmen's Club.

1890

Edmund C. Burnett is assistant treasurer of the Swann-Day Lumber Company located at Clay City, Ky.

1891

Rev. George H. Ferris, '91, was the speaker at the Brown vesper services, at Sayles Hall, on Wednesday, February 21, 1906.

Rev. Frank G. Cressey, Ph. D., '91, is pastor of East Los Angeles Baptist Church, Los Angeles, Cal. His address is 412 East avenue 28, Los Angeles.

1892

Rev. Augustus P. Reccord, '92, was the speaker at the Brown vesper service at Sayles Hall on January 17, 1906. Mr. Reccord is pastor of the Church of the Unity, Springfield, Mass.

1893

Henry Beach Needham has recently contributed several interesting articles to *McClure's* magazine, including two on athletic abuses in American universities. His latest paper is on President Roosevelt's outdoor life.

1894

At the recent meeting of the Society of College Gymnasium Directors, Dr. Fred W. Marvel was elected vice president.

1895

The address of Edgar L. Tinkham, '95, is 1437 North Summit avenue, Pasadena, Cal.

The address of John F. Watts, '95, is Fairbury, Neb.

The address of Fred E. Thompson, '95, has been changed to 366 Commonwealth avenue, Boston, Mass. Mr. Thompson is a member of the firm of Hamlin, Thompson and Sheldon, brokers.

1896

Rev. Abraham Le Grand, '96, has recently accepted a call to the Central University Church of Pella, Ia.

1896 advanced

Dr. Ellen M. Stone has recently been appointed physician to the newly established children's out patient department of the Rhode Island Hospital.

1897

"Charles W. Towne, '97, who, under the pseudonym of Gideon Wurdz, wrote the popular little volume of humor called 'The Foolish Dictionary,' appears to have shown as much originality in his marriage on February 4, 1906, to Miss Edith H. Kellner of Newark, N. J., as in his book writing," says an exchange.

"It was rather a horseback ride than a wedding march, for it all happened in this way. At 1.30 on the afternoon of the fourth (Sunday), the groom and the bride, in riding clothes, took their mounts and cantered across country 13 miles to Plaistow, N. H., to the church where the groom's father, the Rev. Charles A. Towne, is pastor. Mr. and Mrs. Towne were awaiting them there, and so were Harold E. Kellner, the bride's brother, who was best man, the groom's sister and brother-in-law, Dr. Fred S. Eveleth and Bert Kimberley of Cleveland, a cousin of the groom, who is a student at the Institute of Technology. These only witnessed the unique wedding on a Sunday afternoon, in church, of a pair in riding clothes.

Immediately following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Towne rode cross country back to Amesbury, taking all the high fences and ditches that came in their way, and were back at their home by 6 o'clock. The wedding party came back by automobile."

On Monday evening, February 19, Mrs. Josephine Beane Rose, '97, entertained the members of her class at her home on Medway street, Providence. Fourteen of the twenty-seven members of the class were present, while letters and greetings were received from several of the others who were unable to be present.

## 1897

Dr. George T. Spicer, '97, has been appointed physician to the children's out patient department of the Rhode Island Hospital.

Miss Anna L. Metcalf has recently resigned her position as a teacher in the high school at West Upton, Mass., to become secretary of the straw factory of that town, a position held until recently by her father.

The engagement has been recently announced of Miss Winifred Manatt, '97, to Herbert Marion Bacon of Philadelphia.

In *McClure's* magazine for February, Lincoln Steffens writes entertainingly of "The Gentleman from Essex," in other words State Senator Everett Colby of New Jersey. The article contains a full-page picture of Mr. Colby.

## 1898

Through the efforts of Charles A. Marsh, '98, teacher of mathematics at the Pawtucket high school, the pupils of the department have recently raised by subscription a sum of money for the purchase of twelve portraits of eminent mathematicians. The list includes portraits of Thales, Pythagoras, Euclid, Archimedes, Leonardo of Pisa, Cardau, Vieta, Fermat, Descartes, Leibnitz, Newton and Napier. Mr. Marsh has been connected with the high school about four years and during this time he has brought the mathematical department to a point where it has attracted the attention of many of the best colleges in the country.

Dr. Buffum, '98, has been appointed to the children's out patient department of the Rhode Island Hospital.

Born on December 20, 1905, a daughter, Faith, to Mr. and Mrs. Stacy R. Warburton, both of the class of '98. Mr. Warburton has been appointed assistant editor of the American Baptist Missionary Union. His address is Ford Building, Boston, Mass.

The address of Oliver P. Hussey, '99, is 19 Courtland street, Nashua, N. H.

A. H. Sheffield, '99, has changed his address from Milford, Mass., to Waterbury, Vt.

At the annual dinner of the New York alumni chapter of the Kappa Sigma fraternity, held at the Hotel Astor, on the evening of February 2, F. Severance Johnson, '99, acted as toastmaster and M. E. Henry, '99, spoke on "The Teacher and the Fraternity."

David S. Fultz, the center fielder of the greater New York team of the American league, has notified Manager Griffith that he will not be one of the party to go on the training trip south, and according to present indications he will not play with the team at

all this year. Fultz has fully recovered from the injury he sustained in a collision with Elberfeld at American league park during the latter part of the 1905 season, but the reason he assigns for not playing with his team is an overabundance of business, with the prospect of more coming.

## 1899

The address of Mrs. Charles Marvin Bagwell (Gertrude E. Millard) is 101 South Cherry street, Winston-Salem, N. C.

On December 24, 1905, a daughter, Priscilla Marie, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles I. Gates, both of the class of 1899.

## 1899 advanced

The marriage of Miss Edith Seaver Boardman, 1899, to John Shipper of Peoria, Ill., occurred February 1, 1906 at the home of her sister, Mrs. George P. Pierce of Lonsdale, R. I. Mr. and Mrs. Shipper will spend two months in travel in Cuba and Mexico, after which they will take up their residence in Peoria, Ill.

## 1900

Clarence Lester, 1900, is assistant in political economy at the University of Wisconsin.

## 1901

The engagement is announced of Albert L. Scott, '00, to Miss Alice M. Chamberlin, Vassar, '03, of Geneva, Ohio. The wedding will take place in June.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Smith, on January 26, 1906, at Waterbury, Conn., a daughter, Laura Jessie Smith.

## 1901 advanced

Professor Leonard Worcester Williams, Ph. D., has recently been elected a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

## 1904

Warren A. Clough, '04, has recently accepted a position in the testing department of the General Electric Company of Scenectady, N. Y. His address is 1330 State street.

The engagement of Herbert Alden Kenyon, '04, to Miss Bessie White Stevens of Providence has recently been announced.

Edward S. Smith, '04, has recently accepted a position as draughtsman, in Milwaukee, Wis. His address is 311 20th street.

Michael J. Lynch, '04, the well-known pitcher, who is studying law at Harvard, has shown his loyalty to Brown by offering to assist in coaching the baseball team.

## 1905

The engagement has been recently announced of Miss Jennie M. Perry, '05, to Mr. Harold Prescott.

Miss Clara Cooke, '05, is teaching at the Roosevelt grammar school, Providence.

DeWitt C. Eggleston, '05, is cost accountant for the Western Electric Co., West and Bethume streets, New York city. His address is Sound Beach, Conn.





